

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333 March 23, 2022

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2310A) Washington, DC 20460

Via e-mail: Hq.foia@epa.gov

Dear FOIA Officer:

The Centers for Disease Control received the enclosed Freedom of Information Act request from Scott Largen. Largen is seeking NIOSH records, including any and all communications, regarding the decision to employ Organic Vapor Monitor (OVM) badges and charcoal tubes in the DHOS HHE study. This shall include any and all records concerning NIOSH discussions/meetings with Unified Area Command and United States Coast Guard (USCG), the Occupational Safety and Health administration (OSHA), and any other governmental entity during the DHOS response regarding (attached).

Documents belonging to your agency are being referred to you for your review and direct response to the requester. A total of 134 pages are referred.

CDC has redacted portions of our equities within these pages. The requester may administratively appeal CDC's withholdings to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs ,U.S. Department of Health and Human Services via the Department's online portal at https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx The appeal must be electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of the final response letter.

We have advised the requester of this referral to your agency (CDC final response letter enclosed).

If you have any questions about this referral/consultation, please contact me at 404-498-2501.

Sincerely,

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